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SUBJ: NAMIBIA IN SC

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1. RUMORS WHICH WE HEARD OVER WEEKEND NOW SEEM TO BE SUBSTANTIATED, AND IT IS LIKELY THAT THERE WILL BE NO FURTHER MEETINGS OF SC CONCERNING NAMIBIA UNTIL LATE DECEMBER AT EARLIEST. KENYANS AND SEVERAL OTHER SC MEMBERS ALREADY KNOW WHAT LANGUAGE WE WOULD PREFER IN DRAFT RES, AND WE UNDERSTAND AF'S WILL BE MEETING LATER THIS WEEK TO DISCUSS. IN VIEW OF ABOVE AND OF OUR HAVING LEFT IT WITH KENYANS TO CONTACT US CONCERNING OUR PROPOSALS, WE NOW PLAN TO BACK OFF FROM FURTHER DISCUSSIONS UNTIL NEXT MEETING BECOMES IMMINENT.

2. COMMENT: IT APPEARS LIKELY THAT MODERATE AFRICANS, INCLUDING KENYANS, MAY HAVE BEEN UNABLE THUS FAR TO CHANGE HARD LANGUAGE DUE TO PRESSURE FROM RADICAL AFRICANS, AND AT THE SAME TIME ARE NOT EAGER TO FACE PROBABILITY OF UK AND POSSIBLY OTHERS VETOING. WHILE
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DRAFT HAS BEEN SHELVED, THE DELAY PROBABLY IS ONLY TEM-

PORARY AND NAMIBIA DEBATE CERTAINLY WILL COME BACK
TO HAUNT US, EITHER LATER THIS MONTH OR WITH PARTIALLY
NEW DRAMATIC PERSONAE IN SC AFTER JANUARY 1.
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